**Income tax realised from corporates**

*69. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of income-tax, corporate tax, tax on dividend and all other direct taxes realisable from corporates and other affluent sections of the society during the last three years, year-wise under each category;

(b) the unrealised tax revenue as percentage of GDP and assessment of Government as to how much fiscal deficit could have been brought down had these revenues been collected during the corresponding period, year-wise; and

(c) whether there is a need for reformulating priorities in 'economic reform' process in the light of the magnitude of the unrealised revenue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) As per the information available the position of realisable direct taxes (taxes in arrears) in the last three years is as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

| Financial Year | Taxes in Arrears |
|---|---|
| 1998-99 | 44143 |
| 1999-2000 | 52970 |
| 2000-2001 | 59425 |

(b) The unrealised tax revenue as percentage of GDP in the last three years is as under:—

| Financial Year | Unrealised tax revenue as Percentage of GDP |
|---|---|
| 1998-99 | 2.54 |
| 1999-2000 | 2.75 |
| 2000-2001 | 2.85 |

Though it is not possible to collect the entire taxes in arrear in one year,

the fiscal deficit could have been brought down had these arrears been collected as indicated below:—

(Rs. in crores)

| Year | GDP | Fiscal Deficit | % age | Arrear | Fiscal Deficit if arrear were collected | % age over GDP |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1998-99 | 1740935 | 103737 | 5.96 | 44143 | 59594 | 3.42 |
| 1999-2000 | 1929641 | 104717 | 5.43 | 52970 | 51747 | 2.68 |
| 2000-2001 | 2087988 | 111972 | 5.36 | 59425 | 52547 | 2.52 |

(c) 'Economic reforms' is an on going process under which various aspects of tax administration are periodically reviewed and re-formulated. The Government are aware of the magnitude of the arrear demand and steps, both legislative and administrative have been taken to liquidate the outstanding taxes.

**Export of onions from Karnataka**

*70. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Government of Karnataka has requested Government to allow export of onion through Karnataka Government agencies; and

(b) if so, the quantity of onion allowed for export through Government agencies for the year 2001- 2002 and 2002-2003?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) and (b) Government of Karnataka had requested for the appointment of two Cooperative Agencies as additional canalising agencies, one for Bangalore Rose Onion and the other for other varieties.

Bangalore Rose onion, though canalised, can be exported freely without any restriction. The allocation of other variety of onion through these agencies in 2001-02 so far has been 26,500 MTs. As for 2002-03, the question of allocation does not arise at this stage.

**Leasing of space at Delhi Airport to Jet Airways**

*71. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the policy regarding leasing out space at airport terminals togetherwith the duration thereof;